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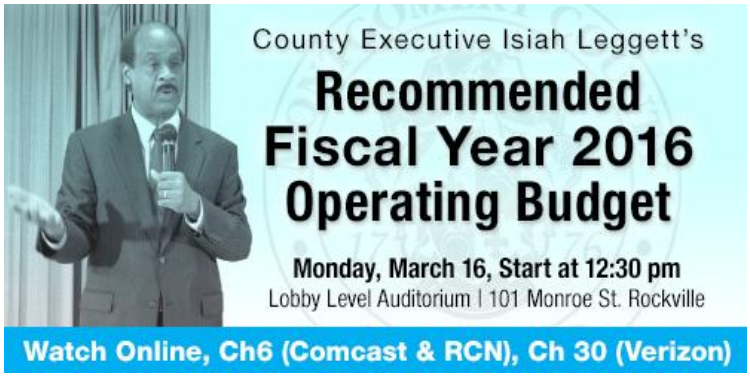
Bringing the County Closer to You!

Isiah Leggett, County Executive
Timothy Firestine, Chief Administrator Officer

Catherine Matthews, Director
Robert Nelson, UCAB Chair

March 13, 2015



Montgomery County Executive Isiah Leggett will present his recommended Operating Budget for fiscal year 2016 on **Monday, March 16 beginning at 12:30 pm**. Watch LIVE online during the press event. Find more information from County Calendar.

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UCAB Land Use Committee Meeting

Monday, March 16 7:00pm
Upcounty Regional Services Center (Meeting Room A)
12900 Middlebrook Road, Germantown

Topic: Development and Demographics

Sign language interpreter services will be provided only upon request with notice as far in advance as possible, but no less than 72 hours prior to the event. If these or other services or aids are needed to participate in this activity, please call 240-777-8040 or email a request to catherine.matthews@montgomerycountymd.gov.

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Pavement Patching Project: Lewisdale Road

A full-depth permanent patching project is scheduled to begin in March on Lewisdale Road from Clarksburg Road to the Frederick County Line. The project should be completed within two weeks depending on weather conditions. Work hours will be between 7:00am and 5:00pm, Monday through Friday. Continuous traffic will be maintained at all times using lane closures and/or alternating one-way traffic patterns.

If you have general questions, please call 311. If you have questions specific to this project, contact: James Kisner, Project Manager, at 240-777-7631.

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Montgomery Councilmember Craig Rice, MCPS Interim Superintendent Bowers, & Montgomery College Senior VP Sanjay Rai to Continue Education Forums

Monday, March 16 6:30pm-8:30pm
Kingsview Middle School
18909 Kingsview Road, Germantown

Montgomery County Council Education Committee Chair Craig Rice, Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) Interim Superintendent of Schools Larry Bowers and Montgomery College's Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs Sanjay Rai will host the fourth of five public forums they are holding to provide information and seek input on the programs and budgets of the County's public school system and its community college. This fourth forum will be held at Kingsview Middle School. The series of Education Budget Meetings will conclude on March 23 at Churchill High School in Potomac.

For further information, contact Councilmember Rice's office at 240-777-7955 or email him at: Councilmember.Rice@montgomerycountymd.gov

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Reminder!

County Executive's Faith Community Working Group to Host Town Hall Meeting with Police Chief J. Thomas Manger

Monday, March 16 7:00pm
The People's Community Baptist Church (Banquet Hall)
31 Norwood Road, Silver Spring

The town hall meeting is free and open to the public. Seating is limited and pre-registration is encouraged by going to http://goo.gl/DorSk1. For more information, email fcwg2013@gmail.com.

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Public Meeting on Proposed Gunners Branch Stream Restoration Project

Thursday, March 26 7:00pm
Roberto Clemente Middle School (cafeteria)
18808 Waring Station Road, Germantown

The Montgomery County Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) is having a public meeting on Thursday, March 26 and a stream walk on Saturday, April 4, 2015 to solicit input from communities in the area of the proposed Gunners Branch Stream Restoration project.

For more information, visit the DEP Watershed Restoration website at https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/DEP/Restoration/gunners-branch.html.

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Leggett, Johnson Participate in Ribbon-cutting to Open New WSSC Office at County's Department of Permitting Services

Another innovative improvement in processing development approvals was announced this week by County Executive Ike Leggett and the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission's (WSSC) General Manager and CEO Jerry Johnson. WSSC has opened an office at the Department of Permitting Services (DPS) in Rockville that will make it more convenient and efficient for customers to obtain assistance with development and construction approvals from DPS and WSSC.

Read more at http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/apps/News/press/PR_details.asp?PrID=14620

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The Frank Islam Athenaeum Symposia presents . . .

Jennifer Nordberg, Author

Tuesday, March 24 7:00pm
Montgomery College- Germantown Campus
BE 151-152 Conference Center, Germantown
(note change of building)

The Underground Girls of Kabul (published 2014) - a riveting account of what life as a girl can be like in Afghanistan. Q & A and book signing will follow the talk. Certificates of attendance will be available for students. Event fulfills multi-cultural compliance for Montgomery College employees.

All events are free and open to the public. For more information, please visit the College's website at http://cms.montgomerycollege.edu/athenaeum or email joan.naake@montgomerycollege.edu

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You are invited to a

MBE/ DBE/ ACDBE/ SBE MARYLAND CERTIFICATION OVERVIEW WORKSHOP

Tuesday, March 31 9:30am-12:30pm
County Executive Office Building (EOB), 9th Floor
101 Monroe Street, Rockville

The African Chamber of Commerce of Montgomery County, in partnership with the Montgomery County Department of General Services and Montgomery County Department of Economic Development, invites you to attend a ***FREE*** Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT) certification workshop. Opportunities exist for small minority and women-owned businesses to meet minority participation goals on government and private sector contracts. Find out if certification as a Minority Business Enterprise (MBE), Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE), Airport Concessions Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (ACDBE) and/or Small Business Enterprise (SBE) is right for your business.

In addition, there will speakers from the Montgomery County Department of General Services (Local Small Business Reserve Program and the Minority, Female and Disabled Business Owners Program) and the Montgomery County Department of Economic Development. The workshop is free but registration is required at **https://2015certificationoverview.eventbrite.com**.

If you have questions, please contact:

Janice Freeman
President/CEO
African American Chamber of Commerce of Montgomery County
(P) 301-428-9715
(F) 301-428-3770

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Highway Services has Filled More Than 2,000 Potholes Since January 1

http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/apps/News/press/PR_details.asp?PrID=14626

To report a pothole needing repair, contact 311!

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New Legislation Requires Training of Common Ownership Community Board Members

(Homeowner and Condominium Associations)

A new law requires the Commission on Common Ownership Communities (CCOC) to develop an educational curriculum to train a member of the governing body of a common ownership community on the responsibilities of directors. It requires that a member of the governing body of a common ownership community complete this – or similar training approved by the CCOC – within 90 days of their election or appointment. The purpose is to promote more knowledgeable and responsible management of homeowners' associations, condominiums and cooperatives in the County. The law goes into effect on January 1, 2016.

For more information, visit the CCOC website or contact the Office of Consumer Protection at 240-777-3636.

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Ride On Pilot Project Tests Turn Warning System

The Montgomery County Department of Transportation's (MCDOT) Ride On bus system is testing a turn warning alert that notifies pedestrians of a turning vehicle. When a bus operator turns the steering wheel 45 degrees in either direction, an audible warning is heard outside of the bus in the direction of the turn announcing that the bus is turning. Ride On is conducting the pilot project with four buses. Read more at http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/apps/News/press/PR_details.asp?PrID=14628

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Montgomery College will close for Spring Break, March 16-20, 2015.

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For other news and meeting agendas, visit:

County Council http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/csltmpl.asp?url=/content/council/news/news.asp
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Department of Environmental Protection http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/deatmpl.asp?url=/content/dep/dephome/index.asp
Department of Permitting Services http://permittingservices.montgomerycountymd.gov/DPS/general/Home.aspx
Montgomery County Volunteer Center http://www.montgomeryserves.org
Office of Community Partnerships http://archive.constantcontact.com/fs100/1102184431012/archive/1117215431562.html
Commission for Women http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/cfw/index.html